



**APE des Grands-Cèdres**  
**September Minutes, 2022**

***Board Directors APE des Grands-Cèdres 2022 - 2023***

President: Brian Callender

Vice-President: Stephanie Belle Coulson

Treasure: Eric Bondy

Secretary: Tatiana Tordoya

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Brian – President.

***Members Present:***

Ashleigh Lockhart

Dana Surry

Elizabeth Platz

Stacy Macdonald

Eric Bondy

Zem Tran

Brian Callender

Stephanie Belle Coulson

Marie-Pascale Addison

Adoption of meeting minutes from June as read. Motion to adopt by Dana, second by Stacey. Adopted.

Adoption of agenda for this meeting. Motion adopted by Elizabeth, second by Dana. Adopted. No additions.

Door Prize – A Starbucks card donated by Stephanie Coulson. Dana Surry. won the prize.

## **1) PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - APÉ Meeting 14 September 2020**

### **Welcome to all parents.**

Before presenting my report, I *would like to begin by acknowledging that our school is located on the traditional territory of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Nation. There are 14 nations within the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Community!*

- 1) Introduce myself & (New) teachers** at ÉGC (Mme ève-Lyne (K/1); Mme M-P (1/2); Xavier (3/4); and Mme Andréanne (5/6/7). Mme Anna-Rose (PE, Francisation & Classe resource/Support); We also have 2 EAs Mme Chantal & Mme Sylvie who is also our Ambassadrice du français. Mme Annick our Administrative Assistant (No longer called secretary!) AND our new Strong Start/Early Years Educator Mme Maria Laura. We are hoping to hire a new English teacher very soon, and of course a Gr 1 & 2 teacher!!!
  
- 2) ÉGC numbers = 60 students enrolled**
  - D01= M/1= 15 (7 kinder & 8 Gr 1)
  
  - D02 = Gr 1/2 = 15 (4 Gr 1 & 11 Gr 2)
  
  - D03= Gr 3/4 = 16 (6 Gr 3 & 10 Gr 4)
  
  - D04= 5/6/7 = 14 (7 Gr 5; 3 Gr 6 & 4 Gr 7)
  
- 3) Back to School went really well this year.** Sending school plan to families ahead of time; getting bus route organized; having a first half day without Kindergarten, all contributed to the smooth transition last week. K started full-time today. Routines are being established and students gathered for their first assembly this morning as we introduced the entire staff and discussed the rules inside the school, outside on the playground, at dismissal, and on the bus. I am asking all pick-up parents to greet their child safely and to avoid having them run to you across the parking lot. We also stress the importance of staying seated on the bus at all times.

- 4) Covid 19 updates reflect back to school Ministry of Health and of Education policies, and is posted on school website : [www.egc.bc.ca](http://www.egc.bc.ca) (Covid Tab). Hand washing still happening regularly: after washroom & recess, and before eating. The entire school eats at same time and has recess at the same time. The nice bonding we had last year is still seen at school, and role modeling where younger students learn from older students and vice versa is also discussed and encouraged.
  
- 5) **ÉGC** Christmas show is planned around Circus & Acrogym Themes. We promised our families an evening show for all parents to attend. Would you like it at 5:30pm or 6pm? K-7 are participating.
  
- 6) **Events this month** will include:
  - a) **Terry Fox run** and fund raising is planned for Friday September 23<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon at 1pm, and we will invite parents to attend and take part in the run with us at last year's baseball field. More info will be sent home the latest on Friday September 16<sup>th</sup>. I would like a parent committee to organize a couple of tents with tables and serve cut up fruits, bananas, and juice boxes. Students can bring money that will be donated to the Terry Fox foundation. There is a jar at the front office. And parents can also donate through the Terry Fox website where l'ÉGC has registered. This year's objective is to raise 500\$ (Which we received last year!)
  
  - b) **Orange Shirt Day will be on Thursday September 29<sup>th</sup>, as Thursday September 30 is a holiday and school is closed.** For this occasion, we are currently organizing presentation and with two special guests, one being francophone.
  
- 7) **Hot lunches can be served at ÉGC** and we would like our Hot Lunch Team to organize the first hot lunch for Halloween on Monday October 31.
  
- 8) **Reminder school is closed Monday September 19**, as it is a statutory holiday. As this date was scheduled for the replacement of the planning day (September 2), the ÉGC will confirm with the APÉ a new date for this replacement day.
  
- 9) **The Quebec trip is on for now, planned for February 5-11, 2023.** The school in Campbell River will not participate, and the Comox school is sending their 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> graders. We are now discussing the possibility of going with Nanaimo. The understanding is that outside students will be selected based on merit.

### **10) Strong Start Program**

L'ÉGC is officially starting its Strong Start Program on Tuesday September 20<sup>th</sup>!!! Please announce it on the APÉ FB page. Days and hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 until 11:30. All children with guardian can attend. Registration is a must, however, families don't need to attend full time.

**11)** Aide aux devoirs/Homework Club will probably start September 28<sup>th</sup>. The school is receiving the budget for the program on Sept 16<sup>th</sup>, job will be posted for a week, and will be able to make announcement to parents after this. First 20 enrollments.

**12) Fresh to You** fundraiser will resume this year. More info from Mme Annick coming soon.

**13)** The Gazebo & Outdoor classroom plans.

**14)** Sports with SD70 will involve Grades 4 to 7 from ÉGC for: Badminton; Cross Country; Volleyball & Basketball. PE Teacher is in charge (Mme Anna-Rose Bélanger)

**15)** Agendas were late and are supposed to be delivered Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup>.

**16)** Scholastics orders with French catalogs/brochures (Mme Annick) will resume this year.

## **2) Treasurer's Report**

NO UP TO DATE

## **3) Tabled from previous meetings**

a. Gazebo set up, looking for options to make it happen.

b. Hot Lunches will resume in October

c. Summer Fundraising

Panago Pizza fundraiser was a success

All fundraising this spring to go towards the June staff appreciation luncheon, Grade 7 graduation, and towards the Grade 6/7 future Quebec trip.

d. Note on fundraising – we always welcome any and all fundraisers. The person who spearheads the fundraiser gets to decide what the funds get allotted to/spent on. Please bring any and all ideas!

e. We all agreed that meetings will be at 6 pm instead of 6:30.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

To promote local business, we ask you if you can donate a prize for the next meeting (max value \$25).

Merci!